

**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
FRESNO BRANCH OFFICE**

**Assistant United States Attorney  
Fresno Branch Office  
Fresno, California  
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**About the Office:**

The Fresno Branch Office of the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California serves the counties of Calaveras, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Mariposa, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Inyo, and Kern.

**Responsibilities and  
Opportunity Offered:**

This position is located in the Criminal Division of the Fresno Branch Office and the Assistant United States Attorney will be responsible for handling a variety of criminal cases for the Branch Office.

**Qualifications:**

Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or District of Columbia, and have at least one year post-J.D. experience. Applicants must be active members in good standing of the bar (any jurisdiction). Ideal qualifications include at least 3-5 years of post-J.D. litigation experience.

Applicants must have a demonstrated capacity to function, with minimal guidance, in a highly demanding environment. Applicants must demonstrate a quick analytical ability and the facility to accurately and precisely articulate the critical issues in a case. Applicants must demonstrate superior oral and writing skills as well as strong research and interpersonal skills, and good judgment. Applicants must exhibit the ability to work in a supportive and professional manner with other attorneys, support staff and client agencies. Applicants will be expected to do their own legal research and writing and shall be substantially self-sufficient in preparing day to day correspondence and pleadings. Preferred applicants shall have excellent communication skills and shall have experience working with multi-agency task forces. Preferred applicants shall have substantial experience and familiarity with federal grand jury practice. Preferred applicants will have experience with the use of a multitude of investigatory techniques, including electronic surveillance, tracking devices, search warrants, telephone toll record analysis and asset seizure and forfeiture. Preferred applicants shall have experience in preparation of appellate briefs and presentation of appellate arguments. Applicants must also demonstrate excellent computer literacy skills to include experience with automated research on the Internet, electronic court filing, and electronic e-mail and word processing systems.

<b><u>Travel:</u></b>	Occasional travel may be required.
<b><u>Salary Information:</u></b>	Assistant United States Attorneys' pay is administratively determined, based in part on the number of years of professional attorney experience. The current recruiting range of basic pay for this position is \$40,105 to \$106,146 plus locality pay.
<b><u>Location:</u></b>	<p>Fresno, California</p> <p>Fresno is one of the fastest growing cities in California, due in part to its central location to major tourist areas in California. Fresno is located in the middle of the fertile San Joaquin Valley, also known as the Central Valley, which is a major supplier of food and agricultural products for the United States and the world. This area also includes national treasures such as Yosemite National Park and Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Forest.</p>
<b><u>Relocation Expenses:</u></b>	Relocation expenses are not authorized.
<b><u>Application Process and Deadline Date:</u></b>	Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter, and writing sample to the United States Attorney's Office, ATTN: Carolyn Delaney, 501 I Street, Suite 10-100, Sacramento, CA 95814. Applications should be postmarked no later than September 6, 2005. Please include the vacancy announcement number listed at the top of this announcement on your resume.
<b><u>Internet Sites:</u></b>	<p>This and other attorney vacancy announcements can be found at:</p> <p><a href="http://www.usdoj.gov/oarm/attvacancies.html">http://www.usdoj.gov/oarm/attvacancies.html</a> and</p> <p><a href="http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/cae/home">http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/cae/home</a></p>
<b><u>Department Policies:</u></b>	<p>Assistant United States Attorneys generally must reside in the district to which he or she is appointed. See 28 U.S.C. § 545 for district-specific information.</p> <p>The U.S. Department of Justice is an Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employer. Except where otherwise provided by law, there will be no discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation, color, race, religion, national origin, politics, marital status, disability, age, status as a parent, membership or nonmembership in an employee organization, or personal favoritism. The Department of Justice welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities. The Department is firmly committed to satisfying its affirmative obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to ensure that persons with disabilities have every opportunity to be hired and advanced on the basis of merit within the Department of Justice. This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. Determinations on requests for reasonable</p>

accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

It is the policy of the Department to achieve a drug-free workplace and persons selected for employment will be required to pass a drug test which screens for illegal drug use prior to final appointment. Employment is also contingent upon the completion and satisfactory adjudication of a background investigation. Only U.S. citizens are eligible for employment with the Executive Office for Immigration Review and the United States Attorneys' Offices. Unless otherwise indicated in a particular job advertisement, non-U.S. citizens may apply for employment with other organizations, but should be advised that appointments of non-U.S. citizens are extremely rare; such appointments would be possible only if necessary to accomplish the Department's mission and would be subject to strict security requirements. Applicants who hold dual citizenship in the U.S. and another country will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to attorney appointments in the excepted service; however, the Department of Justice considers veterans' preference eligibility as a positive factor in attorney hiring. Applicants eligible for veterans' preference are encouraged to include that information in their cover letter or resume and attach supporting documentation (e.g., the DD 214 or other substantiating documents) to their submissions. Not all veterans are eligible for veterans' preference. To find out whether you qualify, visit the Veterans' Preference Advisor, operated by the Department of Labor "elaws" at the following website: [www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/vetspref.htm](http://www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/vetspref.htm). For additional information on eligibility, visit [www.opm.gov/veterans](http://www.opm.gov/veterans) and review the "Vets Info Guide" and the "Vets Guide." Please note that military retirees at the rank of major, lieutenant commander, or higher, are not eligible for veterans' preference unless they are disabled veterans.